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In re Application of :  
William E. Rodgers :  
Serial No.: 10/680,640 : **DECISION ON PETITION**  
Filed: October 7, 2003 :  
For: Caveson for Use With Horses :

This is in response to applicants' petition filed January 16, 2004, to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(d), based on infringement.

Applicant has satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02, II. Therefore the petition is **GRANTED**.

**The application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.**

Should there be any questions with regard to this letter please contact John Kittle by letter addressed to the Director, Technology Center 3700/2900, or by telephone at (703) 308-0873 or by facsimile transmission at (703) 308-3139.

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